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UBJECT.)

Irrigation Rollers &c and Khals - Subsidy re sinking of wells loans Advances

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Abstract.

Advances - Loans - Bellary district - Bellary taluk - Subsoil water survey - Sinking of wells - Orders - issued.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. His. 954 dated 30th April 1928.

READ the following papers:—

From the Director of Industries, No.609 B/27, dated 3rd April 1928.

ENCLOSURES.

No.

ORDER: -

The letter from the Director of Industries read above is communicated to the Board of Revenue in continuation of G.O.No.264 Mis. Development, dated 13th February 1928 communicated with Endorsement No.630 C/28-1, dated 20th February 1928.

2. The Government direct that in cases where the owner of the land is prepared to sink a well on the site recommended by the staff employed on the survey of subsoil water, the ryot should be encouraged to do so by the grant of a loan under the Land Improvement Loans Act if he applies for it. Such applications should be disposed of without delay.

3. With reference to paragraph 4 of the Director's letter the Government observe that Rule X of the revised Loan Rules gives discretion to the Board of Revenue, the Collector or the Divisional Officer to grant concessions if the work fails from causes beyond the borrower's control. In such cases the Collector or the Divisional Officer should, before

before granting any concession, consult the Director of Industries [illegible] well constructed on any of the sites recommended by the special staff has failed. The Government do not consider it necessary to fetter the discretion of the authorities competent to grant concessions under Rule X or to order that the opinion of the Director of Industries is to be regarded as final in any particular class of cases.

4. The Board is requested to issue very early instructions to the Collector of Bellary in accordance with ~~paragraph 2~~ paragraphs 2 and 3 of this order.

(By Order of the Governor in Council)

J.F.Hall,

Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue, Land Revenue and Settlement.

To the Development Department.

F o r w a r d e d
(By Order)

Superintendent.

Copy of letter from the Director of Industries, Madras, No.609-B/27, dated the 3rd April 1928:--

Subject:- Survey of sub soil water - Bellary - Grant of Takkavi loans.

With reference to G.O.No.264-Misc., Development dated 13th February 1928 sanctioning certain proposals for the carrying out of a survey of sub soil water in 14 villages of the Bellary Taluk, I have the honour to report that the water diviner and the requisite Engineering staff to work in collaboration with him, have now joined duty. One of the two boring sets which have already reached Bellary started work on the 28th March in Bisalahalli on a spot marked by the water diviner and the second set is under transport from the station to work spot in Bellary village. Five more sets are reported to be held up at Guntakal where owing to remodelling of the station which is now in progress adequate facilities are lacking for rapid transport of goods from Broad to Metre gauge. It is expected, however, that the sets will be delivered at Bellary in about 10 or 12 days time and I hope, before long, to see the full complement of 12 hand boring sets and two power drills at work on the survey.

2. Most of the villages are infected with plague and one village Hadinagundu has been totally evacuated. Charcoal has to be obtained from Hospet or Rayadrug while firewood is dear, local contractors demanding as much as Rs.16/- per ton f.o.r. Bellary. There is also considerable difficulty in recruiting coolies to work the boring sets. If Government, in the Revenu Department have not yet issued the formal orders referred to in the concluding sentence of para 2(2) of the G.O. quoted in para 1 supra, I would suggest that the requisite instructions may be issued soon, though, the Revenue Officers have so far rendered willingly any assistance required of them.

3. It is necessary as suggested in G.O.No.443 Misc. Development dated 10th March 1928 that bore holes put down in the course of the survey should, wherever possible, be used for extending irrigation facilities or for provision of drinking water supplies in the villages concerned. As soon as a bore hole is completed, its capacity will be tested and if the boring proves a success, the owner will be required to make up his mind without delay if he would sink a well on the site. If he expresses his willingness to do so, the pipes used in lining the borehole will be left there only for a specified number of days. It is not practicable to let pipes remain indefinitely in all the 400 boreholes that will have to be drilled in the area, as in that case pipes worth about Rs.50,000/- would be required. In view, therefore, of the necessity for the efficient and expeditious conduct of survey, I consider that the owner of the land should, in all cases where he is prepared to sink a well on the site, be encouraged to do so by the grant of Takkavi loans. I would accordingly recommend that Government may be pleased to issue instructions to the Revenue Officers, to grant without undue delay, loans for the construction of wells up to the maximum limit within their competence, a sum of ,say, Rs.10,000/- being, if necessary, placed at their disposal for this particular purpose.

4. I would also suggest that in cases where a well constructed by a ryot on any of the sites indicated by the water diviner with the help of a Government loan fails to yield a reasonable supply of water, the benefit of rule X of B.S.O.No.50 may be given to the borrower in consultation with me, my decision as to whether a particular well is a failure or not being held to be final in each case. The work is largely experimental in character and if the ryot is to be encouraged to avail himself fully of the facilities afforded by the survey, I consider that the grant of a concession of this kind is essential.

I request the favour of early orders on this communication.

Mr. Atkinson

Subject.—

R. F. XXII-A-19.—26,004—5-2-27. (6)

FOR MEMBER.

Irrigation - Bellary Dt and taluk - Subsoil water survey - Sinking of wells - Loans - advances - instructions issue

Sec. Asstt. Has Govt. to issue any Mul. instructions if any. In 2 months

READ AGAIN B. P. No. _____ dated _____ 192

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READ ALSO :—

Register No. _____, From the H 2619 4 encl., No. _____, dated _____ 192

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RESOLUTION. Mis. No. 1463, dated 3 5 1928

Communicated to the Collr. of Bellary in continuation of B.P. Mis 725 dated 28.2.28.

2/- The Collr's attention is drawn to the orders contained in paras 2 & 3 of the G.O. read above

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To

The Collr of Bellary